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To All Our

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New Bern Lodge of Perfection No. 6

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8:00 P.M.

—Refreshments—

Business — Election of Officers in New Bern Consistory No. 3

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HISTORY OF FREEMASONRY IN NEW BERN

(For the necessary research in connection with this subject we are indebted to Miss Gertrude Carraway of New Bern, local historian, and Past National President General of the Daughters of the American Revolution.)

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WORLD WAR II

Laurence A. Stith was elevated from the post of Senior Warden to the office of Worshipful Master in December, 1941, and was installed the following month.

Past Master Summerell was elected Senior Warden; and Dr. Gause, Junior Warden. Past Master Kafer was retained as Secretary, and Past Master Purser as Treasurer.

District Deputy Grand Master Farrow installed the new officers, and the retiring Master. Mr. Mitchell, served as Marshal. Myer Hahn was appointed Senior Deacon; Mr. Ipock, Junior Deacon; R. R. White and Mr. Hollister, Stewards.

A Past Master's jewel was presented to the retiring Master by Mr. Spivey, the retiring Junior Warden. Secretary Kafer was instructed to invest $675 of lodge funds to purchase $900.00 worth of War Savings Bonds.

An educational committee was appointed, consisting of Past Master Mitchell, chairman, John G. Dunn, Jr., and Mr. Hollister. O. A. Kafer was requested to confer with Doric Lodge representatives in regard to a program here by the singing class of Oxford Orphanage.

At a regular communication March 11 Junior Grand Deacon William J. Bundy of Greenville was introduced and accorded the Grand Honors. An invitation was received from the Eastern Star to attend the chapter's public installation of officers. Assistant Grand Lecturer P. C. Stott, of Wendell, was a visitor in April. Messrs. Stith, Summerell and Gause were named representatives to the Grand Lodge meeting that month in Raleigh.

District Deputy Grand Master Farrow was elected an honorary member of St. John's Lodge May 27th. He had often attended the meetings of the organization. Present also at that time was another frequent visitor. Mr. Bundy, of Greenville Lodge, No. 284, then Senior Grand Deacon of the Grand Lodge. At a meeting June 10 Mr. Farrow was given a certificate of his honorary membership in the lodge.

Because of business duties, Past Master Summerell resigned as Senior Warden, and by special dispensation from the Grand Master a special election was held, resulting in the election of Mr. Spivey to the office. He was installed at the next regular meeting July 8 by District Deputy Grand Master Farrow.

On December 9 Mr. Spivey was elected Worshipful Master, to succeed Mr. Stith. Dr. Gause was promoted to Senior Warden. Mr. Hahn was elected Junior Warden. Past Masters Purser and Kafer were renamed to their respective positions.

These officers were installed at a Past Masters' Night program December 30. Past Master Parker acted as Master and Installing Officer, and Past Master E. H. Bunting as Marshal. Mr. Ipock and Mr. White were installed as Deacons; Past Master Stith, Chaplain; Mr. Hollister and John B. Derrickson, Stewards; and Mr. McGinn, Tiler.

The Past Master's jewel was presented to Mr. Stith by Past Master Mitchell.

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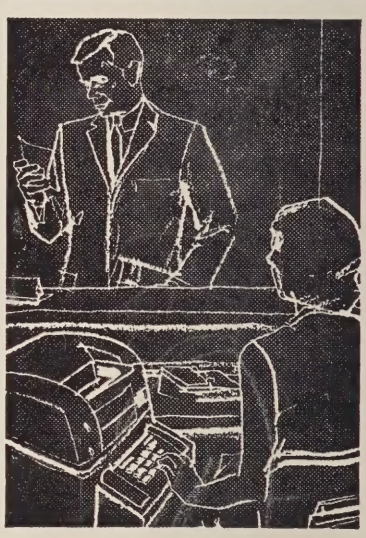

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SECRETARY'S PAGE

C. A. SEIFERT. 33°

Greetings and Best Wishes for a Very Happy New Year! I also hope 1964 will be a happy one for our Consistory.

I was challenged recently by the Secretary of one of the larger Consistories in the State, he offering to wager me that his consistory would surpass New Bern in membership this year or at least by 1965.

I know I don't want this to happen and I don't believe you do either, but to keep in front of the others it will mean real work and help on the part of all of our membership.

Boys, to remain the largest Consistory in North Carolina is my greatest ambition and I hope it is yours also, and I enlist your continued support and help in making this possible. It is not too early to contact those Master Masons and urge them "to seek more light in Masonry". Begin now. I've already received two petitions, and need many more. The dates for the Spring Reunion are April 14, 15 and 16. I'll do my best, will you do yours? Thank you.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

Clarence Seifert

Secretary

Bagpipe Skirls

Dear Brethren,

Another glad season has passed, leaving with it many pleasant memories. Another New Year has dawned, bringing with it resolutions and wishes. While we're wishing, let's concentrate for a moment on the following:

THREE WISHES

I wish I had a telescope to scan the starry skies;
But since I have no telescope I am glad to have two eyes.
I wish I had a kitchen with push button commands,
But while that kitchen's still a dream,
I'm glad I have two hands.
I wish I had a super car to give my friends a treat;
But 'til that new car comes along,
I'm glad I have two feet.
Two eyes to look to God above, two hands to clasp in prayer,
Two feet to carry me to church, why, I'm a MILLIONAIRE!

It's a great kindness to trust people with a secret. They feel so important while telling it.

America is the country where in one generation a family can rise from a plain cabin to a cabin plane.

Things have a way of striking a balance . . . other people's troubles are not as bad as ours, but their children are a lot worse.

The warden asked the condemned prisoner if there were any particular items he would like included in his meal.

"Yes," replied the condemned man. "Bring me some mushrooms. I've always been afraid to try them."

One reason for the teacher shortage arrived home with her report card. As she fished it from among her books she said, "Most of my marks are all right. But look at this one. Sex — they gave me an F and I didn't even know I was taking it."

Your credit is always good when you start to borrow trouble.

"Just what good have you done for humanity?" asked the judge, before sentencing the habitual pick-pocket to jail.

"Well," replied the confirmed criminal, after a pause for thought, "I've kept several detectives working regularly."

Nothing is impossible to the man who doesn't have to do it himself.

If you are careless enough, your present car could last you a lifetime.

The mountain youth returned from college on vacation. "Whacha larning', son?" inquired his father.

"I'm learning algebra, Pa," replied the son.

"That's fine, son," said the father. "Say something in algebra."

Not wanting to disappoint his father the youth proclaimed solemnly, "Pi-R-Square."

The old man exploded. "If that's what they're larnin' ya, ya kin stop right now! Everybody knows pie are round. Cornbread are square."

If Alexander Graham Bell had had a teen-age daughter, he never would have had a chance to test the telephone.

What lies behind us and what lies ahead of us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us.

It was Woodrow Wilson who said, "Every man who takes office in Washington either grows or swells."

Brethren, the bag isn't sure whether he has used the next number on one of our programs or not. Even if he has, we feel that it is a good number to carry through this bright New Year of 1964.

THERE IS A RIGHT TIME

There's a time to get, and a time to give,
and a time to throw away;
There's a time to do a friendly deed,
and that time is today.
There's a time to sing and a time to mourn, a time for joy and sorrow;
There's a time to love, but the time to hate, might better come tomorrow.
There's a time to sleep, and a time to wake, a time to work and play;
But the time to speak an evil thought, passed us by yesterday.

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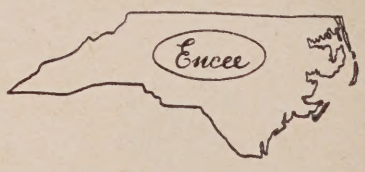

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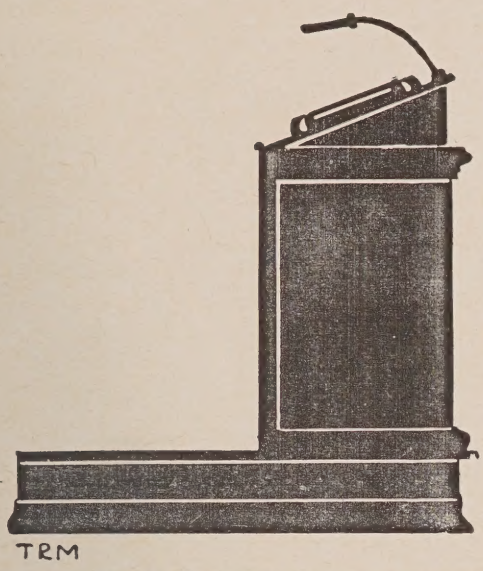

From The Classroom

BY R. L. PUGH, 33°, CLASS LECTURER

Another Reunion is now behind us, and we have added approximately 126 Masters of the Royal Secret to our roll. It was a delightful Reunion from every standpoint. The spirit was excellent; the class was enthusiastic in its reception of the degrees as they were exemplified, and they registered their approval and their enthusiasm in many different ways. The members of the Degree Team all performed commendably. As a matter of fact, one of the outstanding features of each of our Reunions is the dedicated manner in which the Degree Team members proceed with the task assigned to them. Each one regards his particular role as a sacred trust and treats it accordingly. No doubt this is responsible for the high degree of perfection which is found in so many of the presentations. It is also noteworthy that in many of the degrees the Master of the degree, immediately prior to the degree's presentation, will call the members of the cast together and invoke the blessings of the Deity upon that particular degree. It would be difficult indeed to imagine better preparation for effective presentation than this.

It was indeed a pleasure to have the members of the class with us, and it is the hope and prayer of every member of the Scottish Rite Bodies in the Valley of New Bern that our brethren will fall in line with the traditions of the Rite and will now become an active part of our Bodies. If you are in a community where there is a Scottish Rite Club, by all means join that club and lend to the club the talents and abilities that you possess. We have a great need for such abilities, and it is hoped that you will take advantage of the opportunity that is now yours to help us elevate the Bodies to the highest degree of influence attainable.

Along this line of thought, I believe you might be interested in a discourse on qualities of manhood which should be found in Masons, and in many instances are. This particular discourse was prepared by a young man, a member of the DeMolay, by the name of James Sims of Seattle, Washington. It took first place in the 1963 International Supreme Council Oratorical Contest and is entitled, "Masons Are Wonderful Men." I am giving it to you exactly as this young DeMolay member presented it, and I believe you will enjoy it.

First Place Winner in the 1963 International Supreme Council Oratorical Contest

MASONS ARE WONDERFUL MEN

By James Sims
Green Lake Demolay Chapter
Seattle, Washington

Today we have a wonderful opportunity before us to pay a tribute to those whom we consider to be wonderful men. Our nation has been endowed with a heritage which when paralleled with the historic developments of all preceding institutions, the United States alone can be termed unique. America has been termed "The Beautiful," "Land of Plenty," of abundant resources; but in a more vital sense, much more than any of these, it is posterity's gift of life, liberty and freedom of independence, and is by far our most precious weapon.

One hundred eighty-six years ago these basic tenets of our heritage were professed to the world in a document known to all as the Declaration of Independence. This move was called for during the Continental Congress of 1776. A new nation was born. This new way of life was thinking not in terms of yesterday nor in material values of that day, they opened their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor that they might lead to future generations the foundation of a true democracy. To give the birthright of this new nation. approximately thirty-one of these courageous men, by far the majority, had one

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thing in common — all were Master Masons.

Even as the British moved on toward Lexington in those infant hours of our country, it was a Mason who held the lantern high in the tower of Old North Church and a Mason it was who caught the sign of love for his country and carried it through the night to warn a sleeping nation. Other men shared in the formation of this greatest nation on earth — George Washington, a Past Master in what is now the state of Virginia, Commander in Chief of the Revolutionary forces and soon to become our first president; LaFayette and Von Stueben, famed generals and contemporaries of George Washington; Benjamin Franklin, John Paul Jones, our first Naval commander; the Carolina Swamp Fox; and famous Nathan Hale Greene were among the first public citizens to take a stand. Furthermore, we can include a host of other patriots, including every officer above the rank of major in the Continental Army.

Each man fought for basic equality among the masses, each for the true justice of individual liberty for all. In every instance in the history of our nation, youth has risen up to the defense of the only real and true democracy on earth, and yet it can be witnessed that the leadership of these young is charged to those whose forefathers so wisely formulated the basic framework of our nation. In every instance in the history of the world where men have risen against tyranny and depression, Masons have been prominent leaders in the action, and have stood unequivocally for the presentation of liberty, and freedom of worship. In our present world of turmoil, we find men afraid, afraid of the tremendous power of science, afraid of themselves and afraid of each other because of the greed and ambition which are destroying individual rights and self government.

Still, there remains one powerful tool, that the strength of liberty, public institutions, and development of tomorrow's leaders through Masonry stands alone, united, a living force among all men. These few, totalling one of each forty-five Americans, have pledged their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor to those great principles of freedom for these past one hundred eighty-six years. These are the men who have built and protected our public institutions, secured and maintained our individual liberty and led and developed those who will be the leaders of our nation in the years to come.

As members of the Order of DeMolay, it is with gratitude and admiration that we can look to these fine men and consider them wonderful men. Consider the great service they have bestowed on their country, for the only reward they seek in the personal satisfaction that they have left some mark, some lasting heritage exemplary of this guiding inspiration that they have for so long realistically fought to sustain for the posterity of these United States of America.

ASTRONAUT LEROY GORDON COOPER, JR. RECEIVES 33° AT SUPREME COUNCIL MEETING

A few of New Bern Consistory's Thirty-Thirds with Astronaut Cooper. Left to Right — Francis W. Clark, 33°, Astronaut Gordon Cooper, 33°, Edward P. Blair, 33° and A. A. Kafer, Jr. 33°.

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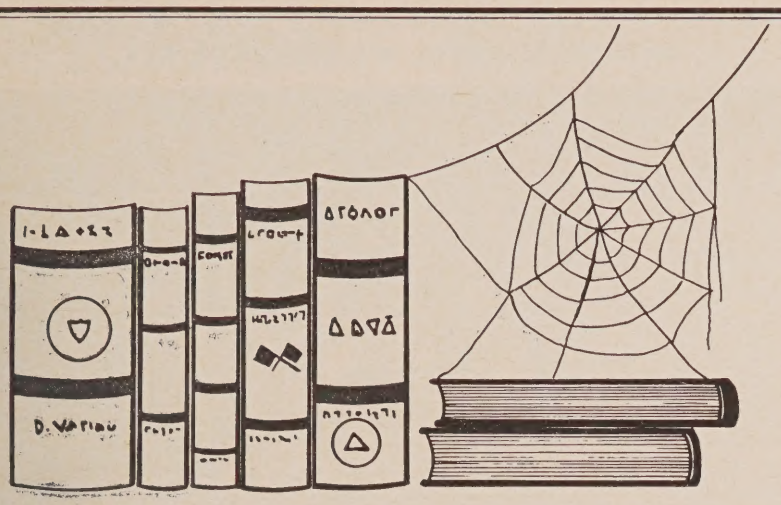

TEMPLE TOMES

Masonry increases one's powers of comprehension, for a Mason is primarily a seeker after light; Even the light of understanding. (This is manifested so beautifully in the first three degrees, the 19th and the 28th.)

For instance, let's take a theme from Paul's letter to the Romans "as many as are led by the Spirit of God . . ." Now, if we were to spiel-this-off in Greek we'd use, in the place of "led" the word "*ago*".

The lexicons illustrate the ancient use of our word in very different phases of the general idea. Thayer defines it as follows: (a) To lead by laying hold of, and in this way to bring to a point of destination. (b) To lead by accompanying to, or into any place. (c) To lead with one's self, as an attendant. (d) Conduct, or bring.

Following these there are metaphorical definitions such as (1) To lead, guide, direct. (2) To conduct to something; And when we turn to the classical Greek the word begins to take on even greater riches and beauty. From the time of Homer on down through the centuries the word has been used in a wide variety of meanings. We must not forget that it also means to lead by reasoning, and that our word "educate" contains the Latin root ducere, to lead, which we have in such words as duke, aquaduct, viaduct, deduce, conduct (lead with) and so on. Plato uses the same word for the bringing of a soul to growth in virtue, and also the way a magnet draws iron. Xenophon and other writers use the word with a sense of the passage of time i.e. to be at rest, to be at peace, to be happy.

With all of this before us let us attempt to open our Masonic understanding on the light of leading, keeping in mind the quote from Paul's letter "as many as are led by the Spirit of God . . ." (Romans 8:14).

The first meaning of our being led by the Spirit of God, is that we are led by His having laid hold upon us. David says, in one of the Psalms, "So foolish was I, and ignorant, I was as a beast before thee' (Psa. 73:22). The revision (RSV) strengthens it: "When my soul was embittered, when I was pricked in heart, I was stupid and ignorant, I was like a beast toward Thee. Nevertheless I am continually with Thee; Thou dost hold my right hand. Thou dost guide me with Thy counsel, and afterward Thou wilt receive me to glory." Surely, this is the beginning of God's leading with us. We were stupid and ignorant in ourselves. God was not in all our thoughts (Psa. 10:4), or, as the Hebrew has it, "The wicked says with arrogance: He does not punish! There is no God! This is the whole content of his thoughts." It was when we were in such a condition that the Holy Spirit laid hold upon us to lead us by the hand, to take us out of our darkness and bring us into His light. He led us by laying hold upon us.

And it should be of the utmost comfort to our souls to realize that He who has put His hand upon us will never relax His hold. "Being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in us, will keep on perfecting it until the day of Jesus Christ" (Phil. 1:6). "As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God." (Here it is fitting to define four words (1) comfort—with strength. (2) Soul—The New English Bible says "What profits a man if he gain the whole world and loses his true self". (3) Holy, simply means whole—a state of being whole with God. (4) Spirit, as best we can define it is God manifested as His breath.)

The leading of the Holy Spirit is not only His laying hold upon us, but it is the bringing of our souls all the way

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through to a point of destination, God never started anything that he did not finish.

Our leading by the Holy Spirit is an education. He is bringing us up, rearing us in the nurture and admonition of the Lord: I do not know how the world ever got the idea that the Lord could be fierce toward those who are His children, whom He has bought at the price of His blood. I suppose that we must understand it as one of the stratagems of Satan, to take our minds off the transcending love of God, in order to lessen our confidence and trust in Him.

But we must learn to think of Him as a loving Father, moved with compassion for all our ills, rejoicing in all our joys. "Like as a father pities his children, so the Lord pities those who fear him" (Psa. 103:13). "I will recount the stedfast love of the Lord, the praises of the Lord, according to all that the Lord has granted us . . . which he has granted according to his mercy, according to the abundance of his stedfast love. For He said, "Surely they are my people, sons who will not deal falsely; and he became their Savior. In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them; in his love and pity he redeemed them, he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old" (Isa. 63:7-9).

It is when we have this picture which Isaiah gives us of the Heavenly Father that we shall come to comprehend more fully that He is leading us as a father leads his children. Or, as He led the children of Israel in the Exodus, portrayed in the twenty-third, or Chief of the Tabernacle degree.

This leading of the Holy Spirit in our education will not forego our necessary discipline. For it is in relation to our sonship that He gives us the sweetest teaching on the trials that come to us in life. It is definitely that whom the Lord loves He chastens; He disciplines, and we are not to lose courage when we are rebuked by Him.

It is this fact of leading rightly that has given joy to so many of His people in the contemplation of His being the shepherd of his sheep, so beautifully illustrated in the Twenty-third Psalm, and exemplified in the 5th degree.

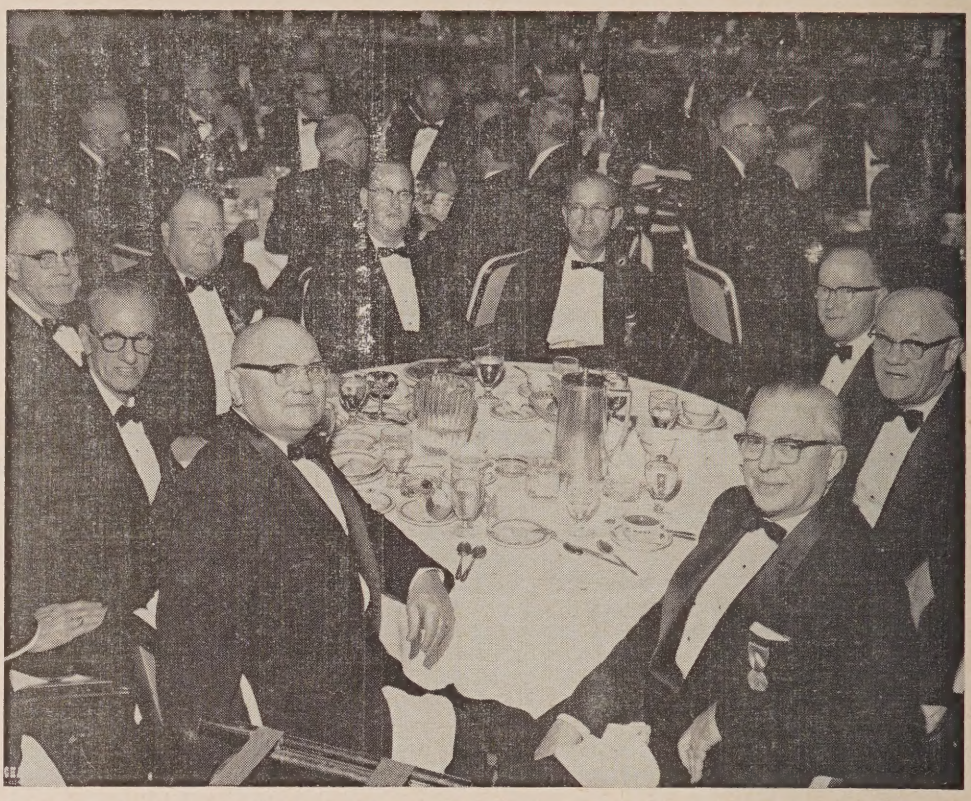
Thus the Holy Spirit, working in our minds and hearts and wills by His personal power and through the Word of God, will ever bring us on the way which He has chosen until the time shall come when we are to be presented faultless before the presence of God's glory with exceeding joy (Jude 24).

And the hope of everyone who has the gift of spiritual comprehension, and who knows that he is led by the Holy Spirit is that moment when he shall be led to our Master and presented to Him. He has led us by laying hold upon us. He has led us by bringing us through all the way to our destination. He has led us as one leads a child in education. He led us and leads us with Himself walking along the way with us, and accompanying us. He leads us through the dark trials out into the light of triumph.

Time was when possibly we could not have understood God's leadings-with, but in our Masonic quest for Light, the eastern portals of our comprehension have slowly swung outward to let in abundant light, even the light of understanding.

TOM MCCREA

NEW BERN CONSISTORY THIRTY-THIRDS ENJOY BANQUET AT SHOREHAM HOTEL, WASHINGTON, D. C.



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RESOLUTION

Honoring Past Commander and Past Sovereign Grand Inspector General Ill. Thomas J. Harkins, 33°, of the Orient of North Carolina

Whereas our beloved brother, Ill. Thomas Joshua Harkins, 33°, who has served the Mother Supreme Council of the A.A.S.R. for more than one fourth of its existence, for a period of forty-five years, three as a Deputy, forty-two as Inspector General in the Orient of North Carolina and three as Sovereign Grand Commander.

And whereas the infirmities of the flesh compel him to ask for retirement from active duty at the close of 1963.

We, his brethren of this Supreme Council, desire to express to him our sincere regret that he has found it necessary to lay aside the working tools which he has employed so successfully and for a period exceeding in length that of any other Inspector General of the Southern Jurisdiction, U. S. A.

It is altogether fitting that his achievements as a builder of the Rite should be recalled and placed on perpetual record in our archives.

Daniel Webster said of Alexander Hamilton, "he smote the rock of internal resources and abundant stream of revenue burst forth; he touched the dead corpse of public credit and it sprang upon its feet."

In like manner Ill. Brother Harkins came to power in North Carolina when the membership of the Rite in that Orient was less than 1,600. He leaves his office with a membership in North Carolina of more than 16,000. Like all of God's noblemen he would give the lion's share of credit for this gain to the brethren and leaders of the eight Valleys of this great State; but his magnificent leadership guaranteed these happy results.

During the incumbency of Ill. John Henry Cowles as Sovereign Grand Commander, from 1921 to 1952, he was recognized as the work horse of the Supreme Council; assisting in the solution of many knotty problems and giving freely of his time and rich talents to smooth the path of that honored leader, who built so wisely and well in strengthening the superstructure of this Council for a third of a century. No other member of our Council contributed so much toward making Ill. John H. Cowles a good Grand Commander.

Upon the death of Ill. Brother Cowles he succeeded to the office of Grand Commander in which he served with freedom, fervency and zeal until those that look out of the window were darkened, and failing vision caused him to ask for relief from the grave responsibilities of that exalted office.

Whatever he undertook was done well, and his administration of the office of Grand Commander and Inspector General in his Orient deserves the universal acclaim which his brethren so freely accord him.

Therefore, be it resolved that this Supreme Council to which he has given so freely of his wealth of knowledge and strength of leadership, rejoice in the incomparable services so graciously rendered by our brother, the true magnitude of which we shall better understand as the years provide perspective.

And be it further resolved that it is our conviction that years of service alone can never tell the story of what this great and good man has achieved.

Someone has said, "We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts, not breaths; in feelings, not in figures on a dial. We should count life by heart throbs. He lives the longest who thinks the most, feels the noblest, acts the best." Judged by such a standard, Ill. Thomas Joshua Harkins has lived as long as Methuselah.

And be it further resolved that this resolution be spread upon the records of this Supreme Council, and that a copy be given to Ill. Brother Harkins with assurance of the abiding respect and love of his Brethren.

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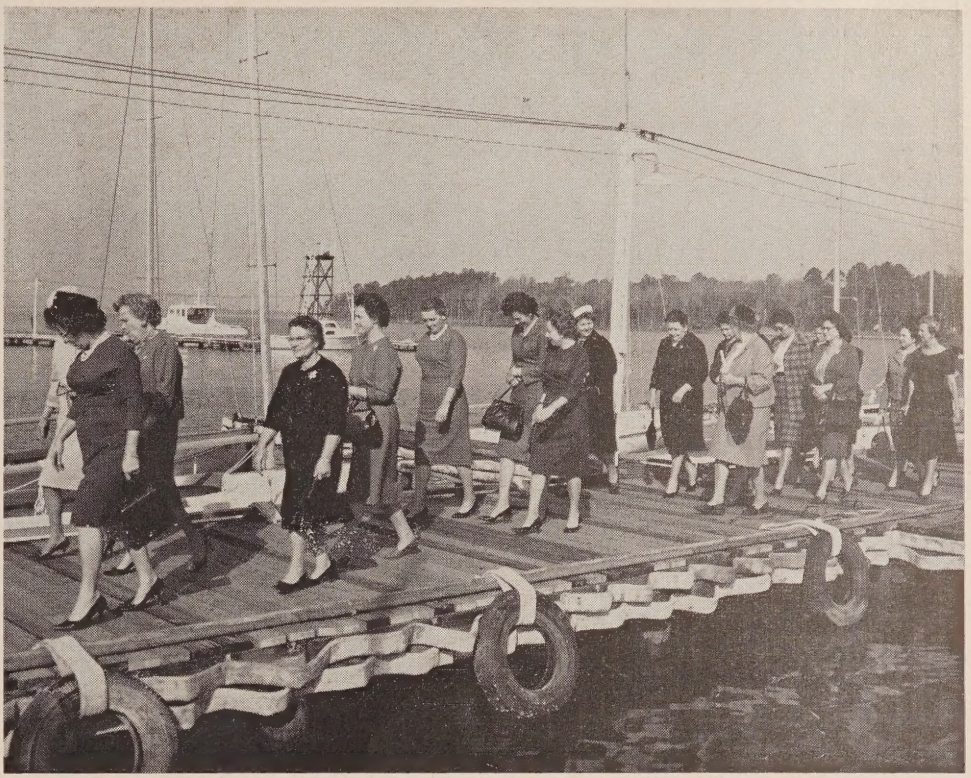

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"With Mouth To Ear"

BY CLYDE McCARVER, 32°, K.C.C.H.

WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY

A few weeks ago the entire world was struck speechless by the dastardly deed of a perverted mind and a displaced loyalty which resulted in the death of the President of these United States — today the words "United States" sounds so hollow!

God is calling His people today to visualize the vital spots and to disclose the fundamental issues of life. The ringing words, "Ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for your country", shall be quoted from the lips of little children and orators for generations yet to come! The world shall go on; but never the same!

It is comforting to have the mantel of religion thrown around one's inclinations and prejudices. It almost lulls one to sleep to hear that in God's world the wicked will perish and fail and that no amount of effort can overthrow God's world and what he has planned. When one is unwilling to embark on some action, it is great solace to be told that, if you set out upon it, you might be fighting against God. The philosophy which says "Leave it alone. Don't interfere. It will sort itself out in the end. It is in God's hands and not ours"—these are usually the words of moral cowards and they spring from sloth and not from faith.

The world was forced, tragically, from giving thanks to the corner where it must not only count the blessings of God; but, it must recapitulate the follies of men. I can not but reflect that the most of us could stand our faith and dedication strengthened and stiffened! We have lived to see more evil than was even deemed possible a generation ago. Had the events of the last decade been pre-viewed for us, we would have called it a nightmare of evil prophecy. We would have said "impossible!" We have seen with our own eyes; we have heard with our own ears; We have handled with our own hands, the sufferings and harm which come from human folly. We can no longer deny that the heart of the problems of mankind in the Twentieth Century is not in the area of economics or science. The center of our modern predicament is in the heart of man. We know, all too well, that the hour calls for pentitence and not thanksgiving — pentitence that we have gone blithely and blindly in our own way. We have often made our contributions to a world which is benighted and confused — a world wherein we have been stabbed wide awake!

Clyde G. McCarver, 32°, K.C.C.H.

Has man so complicated life that he can frustrate the plans of the Great Architect? Can nothing stop the evil intent of the human heart? Is there nothing which can cause confusion in the temple to cease? Can nothing bring man back to his senses? I submit that there are times when these misgivings will not be driven from our heart. We are often driven to that place where we ask "What guarantee can one have that God will triumph over His foes?"

Man's sin, folly, and blindness can not destroy God's Holy One nor deflect His redeeming will for mankind. The late Archbishop of Canterbury expressed the truth of our situation many years ago when he said. "While we deliberate, God reigns; When we decide foolishly God reigns; When we serve Him self-assertively, God reigns. When we rebel and seek to withold our services, He reigns — the Alpha and Omega, which was and is and which is to come: The Almighty." We must admit that our faith in the sovereignty of God has been used to excuse ourselves from responsibility or making up our own mind and

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asserting our own dedication. We have often evaded coming to decisions. We have been blinded — We would not see that, in these days of our life, God is requiring us to make judgments. Is the gospel of love and self-sacrifice right or wrong? If wrong, then fight against it and kill those who stand for it. If right, then give that gospel's call all your strength and dedication.

We must face to the fact that every human situation is a call to decision and action. This is one of the ways in which our fellowship with, or our turning from, God is a constant element in our experience.

Part of the amazing wonder of Scottish Rite Masonry is that we are equipped and called to be fellow-workers with God. Beyond all doubt, God has other instruments with which to work than you or me. But, ever remember my brethren that we are all part of the apparatus and God expects us to play our part to the best of our ability. He uses human instruments to accomplish Divine purposes. I am confident that our nation will survive. I am confident that this world is in the hands of its Maker. In this we have cause for gratitude. But above all, let us in these soul-searching days thank Him that we may search our souls, and "Under God have a nation conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that the government of the people, by the people, and for the people shall not perish from the earth."

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HERE, THERE AND YONDER

"LET US LIGHT A CANDLE"

By E. P. Blair, 33°, Vanceboro, N. C.

Let each one of us light a Candle as we approach the New Year, and pray for guidance and a new sense of direction.

Yes, we should light a Candle each one of us not just for the sake of the act itself but to re-examine and to re-appraise our overall purposes and intent and the direction towards which our conduct is leaning. It is indeed high time at the beginning of a New Year to look at ourselves. Where were our mistakes? Why did we lean in the direction we were leaning? Was it best for all concerned, or was it of selfish intent? Wherein can we correct those faults that existed in us during the past year.

Scottish Rite Masons know that Infinity and Immortality figure in the correct proportioning of the happiness which leads each one of us from and to the Great Lights of abiding truth. We light a Candle to see where we are; we should. We light a Candle to warm, to guide, to direct, and to inform others of our presence.

We were created in the image of God, and yet we stand now in world affairs where one mistake in world judgment could cost us our heritage. We have sought and conquered vast realms of science which place us in a precarious position, but do we see ourselves and where we fit into the picture?

The lighted Candle should be both a pledge and a promise that we will no longer dwell on negative things, but positive thinking on our part for our own location of duty and responsibility towards our family, community, and particularly ourselves. It is really a difficult matter to locate the future; actually to

E. P. Blair, 33°, Vanceboro, N. C.

the onlooker at the time of the birth of Jesus, the future belonged to the Emperors and the Kings; it really was not to Joseph coming up to Bethlehem. When we look backward with a sense of real awareness, we see that the future really belonged to John the Baptist and to Jesus and not to Herod. No one can tell which way a city will expand; in the first half of the century, the expectations were that Washington, D. C. would move towards the East; it moved westward and hundreds of thousands of dollars were lost by real estate men.

It is well to remember that God can locate the future much more accurately than man. We must surely know that the future of the world was lying in the manger of Bethlehem. His Kingdom is the only lasting Kingdom, the future of the world lies there now. Perhaps in the lighting of our Candle, we can see ourselves in the shadow of this Light and dissipate at least a portion of the darkness that surrounds us. It is imperative that we light a Candle, rediscover ourselves and know that our own reason enables us to interpret events of the near and far and past and from them discover the events of the future. We live on and on through those things we have said and done. Even though a flood may drown a man, a tornado destroy him, a wild beast tear him from limb to limb, or his body be crumbled into dust, none of these things can destroy his soul nor prevent him from living on and on through the things he has done for others or said to them. In these things, we are the Superior to all creation. We partake of the very qualities of God and his good offices survive eternally through us.

We light a Candle then and obtain blessings, not because of any virtue in ourselves, but because of the Light given to us from the Father. We light a Candle for beauty, for faith, and for so many other desired and desirable things that brighten and lighten our way; for liberty, for justice, for patriotism, for equality, and for truth.

How wonderful it would be if we would pause at the Shrine of Peace and a New Year, light a Candle of our own with a silent prayer,—"Lighten our Darkness, we beseech thee, O God."

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Onslow-Lejeune can look back on 1963 as a good year for Scottish Rite Masonry.

It was the most active year yet in the history of our club, which, in addition to the meetings in Jacksonville, met once in Richlands and once in Swansboro. A fine group of officers led the club in 1963 and another fine group has been elected to lead the club to what we hope will be even greater achievements in 1964.

November marked the initial effort of the club to man a desk in the temple during a reunion, and this venture more than proved its worth. Through this facility the club was helpful in many ways — it located brethren for phone calls and other messages — it maintained a daily roster of Onslow-Lejeune Masons attending the reunion — it collected dues from old members and enrolled new members. Probably the greatest contribution of the desk service was the provision of a reliable gathering point for brethren wanting to see someone from down Onslow way. You knew that you could go to the desk at any time during the reunion and run into someone from home. This alone made the effort worthwhile.

Onslow-Lejeune was well represented among the candidates during each of the 1963 reunions. We would have liked to have produced more, but we can be justly proud of the quality and the quantity of our candidates in April and in November. From those two groups of fine Masons we can expect a big assist in our efforts to make 1964 an even bigger Scottish Rite year in Onslow-Lejeune than was 1963.

Our Brother Paul Tyndall was elected president of the class in November, and he was also selected to be the active candidate in the 31°. In both roles Paul was a credit to Onslow-Lejeune.

Finally in 1963, another of our outstanding members, Worshipful Brother George E. Roberts, Sr., was elected by the Supreme Council to become a Knight Commander of the Court of Honour. All Onslow-Lejeune rejoices with Brother George.

1963 was a good year, and the success we enjoyed constitutes a real challenge

REYNOLD DAVENPORT, 32°, K.C.C.H.
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to every one of us in 1964.

Craven County certainly made a large contribution to the success of the November Reunion, producing roughly a third of the candidates. This was additional evidence of the Masonic resurgence that appears to be taking place in Craven Always a cornerstone in North Carolina Masonry, Craven is again showing the way in the east. She boasts two new and healthy lodges, and herein lies the secret of Masonic growth. The branches of a tree can grow only when there is root growth, and the Blue Lodge is the root of all Masonry.

Onslow-Lejeune can profit well from this lesson. Blue Lodge Masonry can and should and will grow throughout this county. There are presently two large lodges and two small lodges in Onslow. The lodges in Swansboro and Richlands are small, but they have produced some of the finest Masons we have. Just think what they can accomplish with a little growth.

The brethren in the Sneads Ferry-Holly Ridge area are thinking seriously of a new lodge to serve those communities.

Several brethren in Jacksonville are likewise thinking seriously about a third lodge for Jacksonville.

The membership of the two new lodges would come primarily from LaFayette No. 83 and Semper Fidelis No. 680, but the two Jacksonville lodges are now large enough to sustain this membership loss without undue strain, and they would undoubtedly lend every assistance to both efforts.

Brethren in Onslow-Lejeune, we need to attend and support our Blue Lodges, as that is the only way in which Masonry, all Masonry, can build toward its full potential. Forget not whence you came.

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SCOTTISH RITE CLUBS

ALBERT PIKE SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

The "Albert Pike Scottish Rite Club" of Plymouth, N. C. held their regular meeting on Thursday night, Nov. 14, 1963 at the "Masonic Temple" Plymouth, N. C. A delicious charcoal steak dinner was prepared and served by Brother Charles Hutchins, and Brother Tom Gardner, several brethren assisted in serving and making this a very delightful, and enjoyable occasion.

The following members were present: Brother Raymond Leggett Sr., President, Brother W. A. Roebuck, Vice-President, Brother Wilmer C. Chesson, Secretary and Treasurer. Other members: Brothers C. D. Ingoll, Tom Gardner, James Spencer, Dan Pittman, Hilton Dunbar, Raymond Sawyer, Randy Waters, Woodrow Dixon, Frank Bickerstaff, Benton Tetterton, Putt Landing, Jack Latham, R. H. Lucas, Wendell Ange, Bill Styons, Charles Hutchins.

Our next meeting will be at "Hubb's Reck" Belhaven, N. C. Thursday night Dec. 12, 1963.

We are very proud of the attendance that we have had since our club was organized, and the interest the brethren have shown, in their endeavors to procure new members for the "Scottish Rite Degrees". Now that the "Fall Reunion" is over we can take credit for three successful candidates, for which we are very grateful, we lost one who had to withdraw because of urgent business, we trust that he will be able to present himself for the Spring Reunion".

We must immediately start work for the "Spring Reunion" we cannot relax, for labor is life. From the inmost heart of the worker rises his God-given Force, the Sacred Celestial Life-essence, breathed into him by Almighty God; and awakens him to all nobleness, as soon as work fitly begins. By it man learns Patience, Courage, Perseverance, Openness to light, readiness to own himself mistaken, resolution to do better and improve. Only by labor will man continually learn the virtues. There is no Religion in stagnation and inaction; but only in activity and exertion. "He prayeth best who loveth best all things both great and small;" and can man love except by working earnestly to benefit that being whom he loves? And if we can succeed in making some small nook of God's creation a little more fruitful and cheerful, a little better and more worthy of him, or in making some one or two human hearts a little wiser, and more manful and hopeful and happy, we shall have one work, worthy of Masons, and acceptable to our Father in Heaven.

Therefore brethren let us set our shoulders to the wheel with renewed efforts.

WILMER C. CHESSOM, *Sec. and Treas.*

EAST CARTERET SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

Beaufort, N. C.

Our regular monthly meeting was held Monday night December 2nd at Franklin Lodge. There were fifteen members present.

The meeting was called to order by A. C. Conway, president. Since there was no other business at hand, we proceeded to elect officers for the coming year. Thomas J. Sparks was elected president, Leonard B. Daniels, vice-president; and Harry V. Willis, secretary-treasurer.

The meeting adjourned until Monday, January 6 at which time the new officers will take office.

THOMAS C. AVERY, *Sec.-Treas*

HAVELOCK-CHERRY POINT SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

The Havelock-Cherry Point Scottish Rite Club met on November 22nd at Brockway Hall. The members present discussed the Reunion just ended. A nominating committee composed of Brothers Lander Smith, M. C. Basnight and J. E. Lewis was appointed for election of officers for the coming year, Brother Lander Smith to be chairman of the committee.

It was voted to hold a special meeting on December 13th for the purpose of election of officers and to announce the meeting in the Havelock Progress.

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ELIZABETH CITY LADIES NIGHT PARTY

The annual Ladies Night Banquet was held in the Masonic Temple, Elizabeth City on November 4, 1963. The Consistory, as usual, was host to the Brethren and their Ladies for which we are as always grateful.

The toastmaster, F. W. Clark 33°, presided and a most enjoyable Roast Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings was served at 7 P.M. Brother S. A. McPherson 32° pronounced the invocation. Brother W. M. Smith 32° K.C.C.H. welcomed the Ladies and Brethren on behalf of the Consistory and Brother Robert F. Spence, 32°, K.C.C.H., responded in behalf of those in attendance. Brother Clark introduced some of the guests present and it was a pleasure to have all of them but particularly nice to have Brother Nelson B. Banks, Recorder of Sudan Temple.

Brother Charlie Seifert 33°, our faithful secretary and his charming wife, honored us by attending, and as was expected Brother Charlie gave the prospects a personal invitation to the Reunion. Brother Charlie had a few words in reference to the "Second Honeymoon" offered Candidates and their Ladies at the Reunion.

The highlight of the evening was a very humorous and inspiring talk given by our speaker, Brother Ed Blair 33° of Vanceboro. It was our great pleasure to have had Brother Ed with us. It seems that each time he comes to Elizabeth City, he endears himself more. Our sincere appreciation goes to Brother Ed for attending.

Brother Robert Spence dismissed the assembled group at 9 p.m. and some 300 persons left pleasantly filled with good food, good speaking and good fellowship.

Our thanks go to the Ladies of the Eastern Star for preparing the food and to Eureka Lodge for use of the Temple.

As a reminder to all Scottish Rite Masons in the Elizabeth City area, the Elizabeth City Scottish Rite Club will hold its last meeting of the year December 16. Election of officers for the coming year will be held. Please plan now to attend as the Club needs your support.

LOUIS S. BELL, *Secretary*

Husband: Let's go out and have some real fun tonight.

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Our Secretary, Charlie Seifert, 33°, addressing the members and guests at the Elizabeth City party.

Brother Ed Blair, 33°, speaker of the evening—Elizabeth City Party.

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FORT BRAGG SCOTTISH RITE LADIES' NIGHT

E. P. Blair 33°, Vanceboro, N. C., was speaker at the Fort Bragg Ladies' Night, sponsored by the New Bern Scottish Rite Bodies, held Wednesday night, Oct. 30th in the Lodge Hall of Fort Bragg Lodge #667.

Warren H. Coolidge served as Master of Ceremonies and Charles G. Harrill, Master of Fort Bragg Lodge welcomed the approximately 200 members and guests in attendance. R. Vincent McBryde, 33° and DDGM of the 13th Masonic District gave the invocation.

Brother William C. Hammond Jr. presented Brother Blair, telling of his dedication to Masonry and of his service to his community and state.

Brother Blair, in his usual inimical way discussed the meaning of Scottish Rite Masonry and the effect it has on the life and service of its members, pointing out that the Scottish Rite makes an individual Mason examine his life and actions; and points out a way to a better and fuller life. He urged that all Blue Lodge Masons take advantage of the wonderful lessons taught by Scottish Rite Masonry.

Brother Coolidge recognized Brothers T. G. Slate, R. Vincent McBryde and Thomas B. Brown, our three local 33° Masons, and congratulated Brother Brown on his recent coronation.

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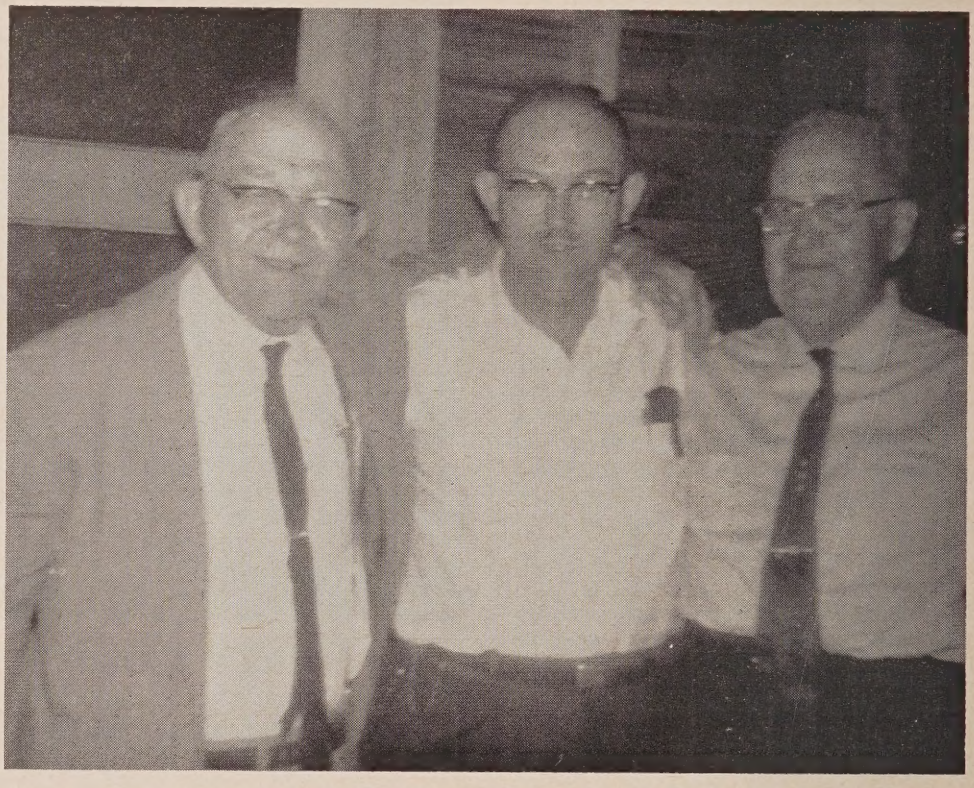

Chowan County Scottish Rite Club Cook-out at Sandy Point Beach—left to right, C. A. Seifert, 33°, Secretary, "Dusty" Rhoades and Jake Chadwick, 32°.

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HISTORY OF FREEMASONRY IN NEW BERN

(Continued from Cover 2)

The new Master appointed Dr. Gause as a news reporter for the lodge. Several officers made short talks, and refreshments were served in Lowthrop Hall after the business.

Because the Oxford Orphanage singing class was unable to give concerts that year due to war conditions, a special committee was named to solicit funds for the institution. Past Master Lipman was appointed chairman, and other committee members were Past Master E. H. Bunting, R. R. White, J. B. Derrickson and W. E. Carawan.

Worshipful Master Spivey, Senior Warden Gause and Junior Warden Hahn were elected representatives to the Grand Lodge. At a meeting April 28 Mr. Hahn reported on the Grand Lodge meeting.

That July Past Master Boswell presented the lodge with two $25.00 war bonds, donated by A. Block, a lodge member. This gift was accepted, and Mr. Boswell was asked to write Mr. Block a note of thanks.

A visitor during August was Sol Lipman, a Past Master of a Masonic Lodge, who had served as Treasurer of St. John's Lodge in 1920, 1921 and 1922. He said it had been 18 years since he had attended a local lodge meeting, and expressed pleasure at being able to be present.

During this World War II period a number of Masons and members of their families joined America's armed forces or civilian defense rolls, patriotically buying bonds and otherwise supporting their government in many ways in their desire to help bring an Allied victory as soon as possible, just as other Masons had likewise aided their country in winning earlier wars.

Signal honors for two members of the lodge came during October 1943. The thirty-third degree was conferred upon Past Master Allie Cook, and the degree of Knight Commander of the Court of Honor was conferred upon Past Master Alfred A. Kafer, lodge Secretary.

Dr. Gause was elevated to the office of Worshipful Master of the lodge at a regular meeting of the organization here on the night of December 8. Meyer Hahn was elected Senior Warden, and William J. Ipock, Junior Warden. Past Master Kafer was reelected Secretary, and Past Master Purser, Treasurer.

At the last meeting of the lodge during the year 1943 plans were made for these new leaders and the appointive officers to be installed in their respective positions on Wednesday night, January 5, 1944, with Past Master J. B. Dawson as the installing officer and Past Master J. E. Boswell as the Marshal.

"How much longer," the small boy inquired, "will I have to eat spinach to be able to lick anybody who tries to make me eat spinach?"

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Mr. Charlie A. Seifert, 33°
Secretary
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P. O. Box 1030
New Bern,
North Carolina

Dear Brother Charlie:

I wish to convey my sincere gratitude to you and all the Brothers who made it possible for me to receive the honor, "Knight Commander of the Court of Honour."

During the recent Scottish Rite Reunion I was congratulated by many Brothers with warm "hand shakes", which I appreciated deeply. Also I have received many letters and telephone calls.

I will endeavor to do in the future, as I have in the past, everything possible for the integrity of our fine and wonderful organization.

With cordial good wishes and warm personal regards always, I am

Sincerely and fraternally yours,
LUBY G. HARDISON

December 12, 1963

Mr. Charles A. Seifert
Scottish Rite Temple
New Bern, North Carolina

Dear Friend Charlie:

I want to take this opportunity to express to you my deep feeling of gratitude on being recently nominated for the high honor of K.C.C.H. by the Supreme Council. I know that you had a share in this honor for me, and I am grateful to you for it.

I feel both humble and proud and the dividends I have received from Scottish Masonry have meant much to me.

Again, I want you to know I am extremely grateful for this high honor which has come my way.

I am,

Fraternally yours,
A. F. WOOD

In Memoriam

And not until the loom is silent
And the shuttles cease to fly
Shall God unroll the pattern
And explain the reason why.
The dark threads were so needful
In the weaver's skillful hand,
As the threads of gold and silver.
For the pattern which He planned.

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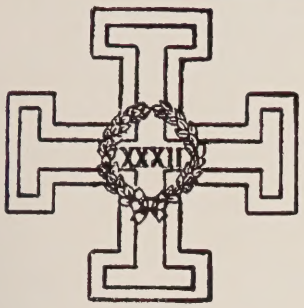

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On December 5, 1845 Franklin Lodge No. 109 was chartered with 28 members. On March 8, 1866 a lot was purchased on Queen Street, Beaufort, N. C. and a Masonic Temple was built, the cornerstone being laid on June 8, 1866 (this building is now the office of Dr. C. S. Maxwell).

On February 11, 1895 Franklin Lodge purchased a lot on Turner Street and the building they now occupy was built. For many years the first floor was used for school classes.

By the early part of the 1900's the Masonic membership had not increased too much from its original membership, however, it grew slowly until the early 1940's when it began to grow more rapidly.

Franklin Lodge has had two former members to serve as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. John Nichols served during the year 1872-1873 and Harry T. Patterson served for the year 1938. Harvey Ward Smith, a member of Frank Lodge, served as Grand Master during the year 1960-61.

Franklin Lodge has had a long and steady growth and is fortunate in having 20 living Past Masters. It has grown from the original 28 members to the present membership of 332.

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